

STATE GRANTS

AT-RISK FOUR-YEAR-OLD PROGRAM – This program is an early intervention, preschool program funded partially by the Virginia Department of Education. The program has been offered through the YMCA. (Source of funds - The At-Risk Four-Year-Old program is partially funded by the Virginia Department of Education. The balance of the funding is through the School Operating Budget.)

CHESAPEAKE JUVENILE SERVICES EDUCATION PROGRAM (CJSEP) The Chesapeake Juvenile Services Education Program (CJSEP) is located within the Chesapeake Juvenile Services Center (CJSC), a secured facility. CJSC houses male and female juveniles who are confined pending court appearances or who are serving court-imposed sentences ranging from three (3) to twelve (12) months. During the period of detention, students attend classes offered by the CJSEP during the day so that credits earned may be transferred to the students' home schools. Students are enrolled either in the Pre-Dispositional Program or the Post-Dispositional Program. CJSEP is a state-operated program funded entirely by the Virginia Department of Education (VDOE). VDOE contracts with Chesapeake Public Schools through a grant to staff and operate the school. The grant funds the salary and fringe benefits for the principal, teachers and a secretary as well as providing funds for other budget items such as travel, supplies, equipment, and equipment repair. (Source of Funds – Virginia Department of Education)

CORRECTIONAL CENTER SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES - The 1997 amendments to the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act mandate that special education and related services be provided to all eligible students, including those who are incarcerated. The Individuals with Disabilities Education Improvement Act of 2004 continues this program. As a result, Virginia is implementing services to eligible students in local and regional jails. The responsibility for providing special education and related services lies with the school division in which the jail is located. However, the Virginia Department of Education will reimburse the school division for costs associated with these services. (Source of Funds - Virginia Department of Education)

EXPANDED GED - This program allows the Department of Adult and Continuing Education to effectively reach as many potential GED candidates as possible through its community outreach program, and to provide greater opportunities for participation in a free GED preparation program. In addition, the Expanded GED program affords the Adult and Continuing Education Department to take aggressive measures to ensure that the underserved public has a clear understanding of how they can benefit from participation in the GED program. (Source of funds - Virginia Department of Education)

GENERAL ADULT EDUCATION – This grant is designed to assist local programs with providing adult education and literacy services as needed to qualifying adults.

INDIVIDUALIZED STUDENT ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION PROGRAM (ISAEP) - This program is designed to assist students aged 16 to 18 years of age, who are enrolled in high school and are experiencing difficulty finding success in a regular classroom environment, with obtaining a GED. The purpose of the ISAEP Program is to provide students with a “second opportunity” to exit high school with a well-recognized credential and the knowledge and skills necessary for a successful transition to adulthood through participation in a career technical program.

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEACHER CORPS - The Virginia Middle School Teacher Corps provides a salary differential to qualified mathematics teachers in middle schools that have been designated as “at-risk in mathematics” by virtue of being either accredited with warning in mathematics or not meeting the Annual Measurable Objectives in mathematics performance as required for Adequate Yearly Progress in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. The program is designed to help high risk middle schools improve student achievement in mathematics.

RACE TO GED - The Race to GED Program provides an opportunity for citizens between the ages of 18 and 64, who are employed or able to be employed, to demonstrate readiness and to prepare for and pass the English version of the GED tests. Participants in the Race to GED Program may participate in the GED Fast Track program (90 days), GED Preparation program (180 days), or the Adult Basic Education (ABE) program for more in-depth study. The purpose of the Race to GED program is to increase the number of residents earning their GED.

STATE TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE - This grant provides funds for the State Technology Initiative requiring school divisions to administer web-based computerized SOL tests. The funds assist the school division in attaining three goals: (1) one computer for every five students, (2) Internet-ready local area network, and (3) web-based access to the Internet. Funds will be used to maintain the state standards at all schools. The purpose of this program is to prepare all schools to administer web-based computerized SOL tests.